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SUBJECT: CANDIDACY OF DR. RAUL SAPENA PASTOR FOR THE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAS

1. I WAS SUMMONED TO THE FONOFF MAY 3 TO RECEIVE FROM
UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NOGUES A NOTE
REQUESTING USG SUPPORT FOR THE CANDIDACY OF FONMIN
SAPENA PASTOR FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL
OF THE OAS. AN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE NOTE
FOLLOWS:

QUOTE.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ADDRESS YOUR EXCELLENCY
TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION THAT ON APRIL 20 IN
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, DURING THE CELEBRATION OF THE
FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, THE PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE OF PARAGUAY TO THAT ORGANIZATION,
FOLLOWING THE EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS OF THIS
FOREIGN MINISTRY, FORMALLY ANNOUNCED THE CANDIDACY
OF HIS EXCELLENCY DR. RAUL SAPENA PASTOR, MINISTER
OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, FOR THE POSITION OF SECRE-
TARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN
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AS YOUR EXCELLENCY KNOWS, THE PERIOD FOR WHICH THE PRESENT SECRETARY GENERAL, MR. GALO PLAZA, WAS ELECTED WILL EXPIRE IN 1975. ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OAS CHARTER, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MUST DULY ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO MR. PLAZA.

FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PARAGUAY, I AM HONORED TO REITERATE THE NOMINATION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED CANDIDATE AND TO ASK THAT YOUR EXCELLENCY'S GOVERNMENT CONSIDER IT FAVORABLY IN THE HOPE THAT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME IT WILL GIVE HIM ITS VALUABLE SUPPORT, BEARING IN MIND THE MERITS OF THE CANDIDATE AS WELL AS THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP WHICH UNITE OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

ENCLOSED WITH THIS NOTE IS A COPY OF THE NOTE DELIVERED ON MAY 20 BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF MY COUNTRY TO YOUR PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES. I ALSO ENCLOSE A BIOGRAPHY OF MINISTER SAPENA PASTOR.

I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

END QUOTE.

2. ORIGINAL NOTE AND THREE COPIES OF SAPENA PASTOR'S BIOGRAPHY AIRPOUCHED TO ARA/APU.
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